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Title: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR PRODUCING A METALLIC COATING ON AN OBJECT EMERGING FROM A BATH OF MOLTEN METAL

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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October 8, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 8, 2003,
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this
paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing
of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.

An **Appendix** is attached following the signature page of
this paper.